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1. The local Maritime Offices (Urząd Morski) at Szczecin (Stettin), Gdynia and Gdansk (Danzig) have been eliminated and a Central Maritime Office set up in their stead at Gdansk. This office is directly subordinate to the Ministry of Shipping and is headed by the director in charge of the administration of the coast.
2. The Central Maritime Office is organized as follows:
 - a. Chief Director
 - Secretariat
 - Head office
 - Workers' council
 - b. Director for Political Education
 - Personnel Section
 - c. Director for Legal Matters
 - Legal Section
 - Statistics Section
 - d. Director for Operational Matters
 - Operations Section
 - Planning Section
 - Trade Section
 - e. Director of Administration
 - Administration Section
 - Finance Section
 - Transport Section

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f. Director for Technical Matters

- Port fire-fighting service
- Technical Section
- Electric Installations
- Shore Installations
- Marine Installations
- Technical Warehouses
- Workshops

g. Director of Navigation

- Welfare office for shipwrecked mariners
- Navigation Section:
 - Meteorology
 - Survey
 - Hydrography
 - Signals
 - Lighthouses
- Ships Section
 - Motor craft
 - Barges
 - Dredges
- Tug Section
- Lifeboat Section

h. Director of Coast Administration

- Port Office at Gdansk
- Port Office at Gdynia
- Port Office at Szczecin
- Harbor Masters' Offices
- Harbor Masters' Offices of fishing ports
- Forests and Dunes Section:
 - Chief foresters, foresters and forest guards

i. General Headquarters of Port Guard

- Staff (approximately five officers)
- Quartermaster Section
- Non-commissioned Officers' School at Gdansk-Wrzeszcz
- Reserve company at Gdansk-Wrzeszcz
- Headquarters of Port Guard at Gdynia
- Headquarters of Port Guard at Gdansk
- Headquarters of Port Guard at Szczecin
- Posts attached to Harbor Masters' Offices
- Posts attached to Harbor Masters' Offices of fishing ports

3. Port Offices (Urząd Portowy) are organized as follows:

a. Chief Port Office

- Secretariat
- Operational Section
- Records and Statistics Section
- Economic Section

b. Harbor Masters' Office

- Port officers
- Pilots
- Wharf inspectors
- Minor port officials
- Port guard

c. Navigation Section

- Floating installations, craft and warehouses

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d. Technical Section

Fire-fighting services
Harbor control station
Shore installations
Marine installations
Electrification
Workshops
Port workers

4. The organization of a harbor master's office (Kapitanat Portu) is very similar to that of a port office, but on a reduced scale. The harbor master has only one deputy, there are no wharf inspectors, no transport section and no records and statistics section. A harbor master's office of a fishing port is on a still smaller scale.
5. The port authorities at Gdansk have lately been reinforcing the fire-fighting service. Apart from the two existing fire-fighting vessels, a third fireboat is to be purchased abroad, and a fourth, the wreck of an ex-German fire-fighting vessel, salvaged near Hel, will be completely overhauled and put into commission. Fire-fighting personnel is under training at Holm, near Gdansk.

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